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FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4617

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES, EAIR, MU

SUBJECT: DEATH OF AMCIT IN PLANE CRASH

REF (A) MUSCAT 1183, (B) NICOSIA 2192 (NOTAL), (C) MUSCAT
1187 (NOTAL)

1. FAA OFFICER AT SEEB AIRPORT HAS CONFIRMED THAT PILOT IN
FATAL AIRCRASH WAS AMERICAN CITIZEN. ALL PERSONAL DETAILS
WE HAVE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NAME: CAPTAIN WILLIAM DUDDING

AGE: 60

NEXT OF KIN: MARIAN DUDDING (WIFE)

ADDRESS: 67 GRIVA DHIGENI, LARNACA, CYPRUS

RELIGION: PROTESTANT

LICENSE NO.: ATP 60927-41

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2. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION IS THAT PLANE TOOK OFF FROM SEEB,
MADE A WRONG TURN TOWARD JABAL AKDAR MOUNTAINS, AND TOWER
LOST RADIO CONTACT AFTER PLANE CLEARED 1,000 FEET. OMANI
AIR FORCE PLANE LATER REPORTED SIGHTING PLANE, WHICH CRASHED
INTO MOUNTAINS. AIRCRAFT IS REPORTEDLY ALMOST DISINTEGRATED.
LARGEST PIECE OF HUMAN REMAINS RECOVERED SO FAR IS A HAND.
ONLY MATERIAL RECOVERY IS ONE FLIGHT BAG WITH AIRCRAFT-

RELATED PAPERS, ONE LEBANESE PASSPORT, AND FEW PACKAGES
OF CIGARETTES. OMANI DGCA IS CONTINUING INVESTIGATION.
MEMBER OF FAA-CAAG OMAN WILL PARTICIPATE AND FILE REPORT.

3. FOR NICOSIA: CAN EMBASSY ASCERTAIN IF DUDDING'S
NEXT OF KIN HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY EMPLOYER? TELEX FROM
EMPLOYER TO CIVIL AVIATIONHERE STATES THAT A COMPANY
REPRESENTAIVE, WALID SHABAN,IS COMING TO MUSCAT TO
ASSIST IN THE COLLECTION OF THE REMAINS OF THE CREW, IF
ANY COLLECTION IS POSSIBLE.

4. FOR SECSTATE: AS IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO RECOVER ANY
RECOGNIZABLE REMAINS OF DECEASED AMCIT, OR ANY PROPERTY HE MAY
HAVE HAD WITH HIM, REQUEST DEPT ADVISE ON FURTHER
PROCEDURE. ALSO PLEASE ADVISE IF NOTIFICATION OF NEXT
OF KIN AS PER 7 FAM 441.3 IS CALLED FOR IF
EMPLOYER HAS ALREADY NOTIFIED.
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